

“(6) MAXIMUM AWARD.—The portion of an eligible individual’s total available summer of service educational award that may be disbursed under this subsection for any period of enrollment shall not exceed the cost of attendance.”;

(15) in subsection (f) (as so redesignated), by striking “subsection (b)(6)” and inserting “subsection (b)(7)”; and

(16) in subsection (g) (as so redesignated), by striking “Director” and inserting “Chief Executive Officer”.

SEC. 1405. PROCESS OF APPROVAL OF NATIONAL SERVICE POSITIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle D of title I (42 U.S.C. 12601 et seq.) is further amended by adding at the end the following new section:

“SEC. 149. PROCESS OF APPROVAL OF NATIONAL SERVICE POSITIONS.

“(a) TIMING AND RECORDING REQUIREMENTS.—“(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subtitles C and D, and any other provision of law, in approving a position as an approved national service position, the Corporation—

“(A) shall approve the position at the time the Corporation—

“(i) enters into an enforceable agreement with an individual participant to serve in a program carried out under subtitle E of title I of this Act or under title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.), or a summer of service educational award; or

“(ii) except as provided in clause (i), awards a grant to (or enters into a contract or cooperative agreement with) an entity to carry out a program for which such a position is approved under section 123; and

“(B) shall record as an obligation an estimate of the net present value of the national service educational award associated with the position, based on a formula that takes into consideration historical rates of enrollment in such a program, and of earning and using national service educational awards for such a program and remain available.

“(2) FORMULA.—In determining the formula described in paragraph (1)(B), the Corporation shall consult with the Director of the Congressional Budget Office.

“(3) CERTIFICATION REPORT.—The Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation shall annually prepare and submit to Congress a report that contains a certification that the Corporation is in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (1).

“(4) APPROVAL.—The requirements of this subsection shall apply to each approved national service position that the Corporation approves—

“(A) during fiscal year 2008; and

“(B) during any subsequent fiscal year.

“(b) RESERVE ACCOUNT.—

“(1) ESTABLISHMENT AND CONTENTS.—

“(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Notwithstanding subtitles C and D, and any other provision of law, within the National Service Trust established under section 145, the Corporation shall establish a reserve account.

“(B) CONTENTS.—To ensure the availability of adequate funds to support the awards of approved national service positions for each fiscal year, the Corporation shall place in the account—

“(i) during fiscal year 2008, a portion of the funds that were appropriated for fiscal year 2008 or a previous fiscal year under section 501(a)(2), were made available to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this title, subtitle A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, or summer of service under section 111(a)(5), and remain available; and

“(ii) during fiscal year 2009 or a subsequent fiscal year, a portion of the funds that were appropriated for that fiscal year under section 501(a)(2) and were made available to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this title, subtitle A of title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, or summer of service under section 111(a)(5), and remain available.

“(2) OBLIGATION.—The Corporation shall not obligate the funds in the reserve account until the Corporation—

“(A) determines that the funds will not be needed for the payment of national service educational awards associated with previously approved national service positions and summer of service educational awards; or

“(B) obligates the funds for the payment of national service educational awards for such previously approved national service positions or summer of service educational awards, as applicable.

“(c) AUDITS.—The accounts of the Corporation relating to the appropriated funds for approved national service positions, and the records demonstrating the manner in which the Corporation has recorded estimates described in subsection (a)(1)(B) as obligations, shall be audited annually by independent certified public accountants or independent licensed public accountants certified or licensed by a regulatory authority of a State or other political subdivision of the United States in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards. A report containing the results of each such independent audit shall be included in the annual report required by subsection (a)(3).

“(d) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Except as provided in subsection (b), all amounts included in the National Service Trust under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3) of section 145(a) shall be available for payments of national service educational awards or summer of service educational awards under section 148.”.

(b) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 2 of the Strengthen AmeriCorps Program Act (Public Law 108–145; 117 Stat. 844; 42 U.S.C. 12605) is repealed.

**Subtitle E—Amendments to Subtitle E
(National Civilian Community Corps)**

SEC. 1501. PURPOSE.

Section 151 (42 U.S.C. 12611) is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 151. PURPOSE.

“It is the purpose of this subtitle to authorize the operation of, and support for, residential and other service programs that combine the best practices of civilian service with the best aspects of military service, including leadership and team building, to meet national and community needs. Such needs to be met under such programs include those related to—

“(1) natural and other disasters;

“(2) infrastructure improvement;

“(3) environmental stewardship and conservation;

“(4) energy conservation; and

“(5) urban and rural development.”.

SEC. 1502. PROGRAM COMPONENTS.

Section 152 (42 U.S.C. 12612) is amended—

(1) by amending the section heading to read as follows:

“SEC. 152. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS PROGRAM.”.

(2) in subsection (a), by striking “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and inserting “National Civilian Community Corps Program”;

(3) in subsection (b)—

(A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and inserting “National Civilian Community Corps Program”; and

(B) by striking “a Civilian Community Corps” and inserting “a National Civilian Community Corps”;

(4) in the heading of subsection (c), by striking “PROGRAMS” and inserting “COMPONENTS”; and

(5) in subsection (c), by striking “program components are residential programs” and all that follows and inserting “programs referred to in subsection (b) may include a residential component.”.

SEC. 1503. ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.

Section 153 (42 U.S.C. 12613) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and inserting “National Civilian Community Corps Program”; and

(B) by striking “on Civilian Community Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian Community Corps”;

(2) in subsection (b), by striking “if the person” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting “if the person will be at least 18 years of age on or before December 31 in the calendar year in which the individual enrolls in the program.”;

(3) in subsection (c)—

(A) by striking “BACKGROUNDS” and inserting “BACKGROUND”; and

(B) by adding at the end the following: “The Director shall ensure that at least 50 percent of the participants in the program are disadvantaged youth by year 2010. The Director shall report to the Committee on Education and Labor in the United States House of Representatives and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions in the United States Senate annually on progress towards this goal.”; and

(4) by striking subsection (e).

SEC. 1504. SUMMER NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM.

Section 154 (42 U.S.C. 12614) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and inserting “National Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program”; and

(B) by striking “on Civilian Community Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian Community Corps”;

(2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall be” and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting “shall be from economically and ethnically diverse backgrounds, including youth who are in foster care.”.

SEC. 1505. TEAM LEADERS.

Section 155 (42 U.S.C. 12615) is amended—

(1) by amending the section heading to read as follows:

“SEC. 155. NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.”;

(2) in subsection (a)—

(A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program” and inserting “National Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program”; and

(B) by striking “the Civilian Community Corps shall” and inserting “the National Civilian Community Corps shall”;

(3) in subsection (b)—

(A) by amending the subsection heading to read as follows:

“(b) MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.—”;

(B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “National” before “Civilian Community Corps”;

(C) in paragraph (3)—

(i) by striking “superintendent” and inserting “campus director”; and

(ii) by striking “camp” and inserting “campus”; and

(D) by adding at the end the following:

“(4) TEAM LEADERS.—The Director may select from Corps members individuals with prior supervisory or service experience to be team leaders within units in the National Civilian Community Corps to perform service that includes leading and supervising teams of Corps members. Team leaders shall—

“(A) be selected without regard to the age limitation under section 153(b);

“(B) be members of the National Civilian Community Corps; and

“(C) be provided the rights and benefits applicable to Corps members, except that the limitation on the amount of living allowance shall not exceed 10 percent more than the amount established under section 158(b).”;

(4) in subsection (d)—

(A) by amending the subsection heading to read as follows: